



Declaration and Power of Attorney For Patent Application

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled METHODS AND DEVICES FOR SEPARATING LIQUID COMPONENTS (Attorney Docket No. 015445-9002-01), the specification of which was filed with my authority, on June 26, 2003 as Application Serial No. 10/607,580 and was amended on October 24, 2003.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following registered practitioners associated with the customer number identified below to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith; and request that the Office direct all communications in or pertaining to this application to:

Customer Number

23409

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of the foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

(Number)	Prior Foreign Application (Country)	(Day/Month/Year Filed)
PCT/IT98/00173	WO	24 June 1998
MI97A001490	IT	24 June 1997

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of the United States applications listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a) which occurred

between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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10/053,247	15 January 2002	Pending
09/446,729	13 July 2001	Patented

I hereby claim priority benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of the provisional U.S. patent application listed below:

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60/392,669	27 June 2002

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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